

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No.: 09/891,774

Confirmation No. 2703

Filed: June 26 2001

Applicant(s): Black et al.

Title: Auto Rack Railway Car

Art Unit: 3683

Examiner: Rodriguez, Pamela

Attorney Docket No.: 70255

Customer No.: 22242

I hereby certify this Request for Continued Examination is being electronically filed using the USPTO's EFS-Web on this date, March 23, 2007.

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

a. Enclosed:

☒ Response

☒ RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) without a claim of small entity status is: \$790.00.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,

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